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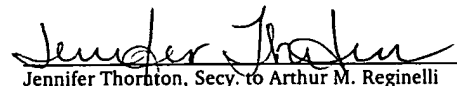
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:
HOGAN, et al.
Serial No.: 10/526,132
Filed: February 28, 2005
For: FUNCTIONALIZED
POLYMERS AND IMPROVED
VULCANIZATES THEREFROM
Customer No.: 48985

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BEFORE THE EXAMINER:
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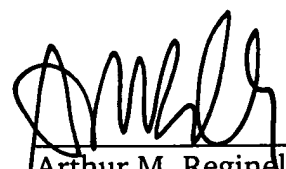
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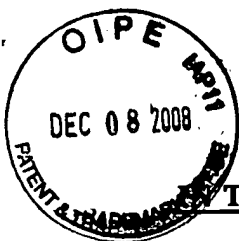
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Respectfully submitted,



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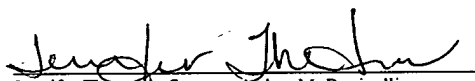
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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111

Dear Examiner:

In response to the communication dated November 13, 2008, and the Office Action dated February 25, 2008, the Applicants, through their attorney, respond as follows.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in a listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.